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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
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Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying form PTO-1449 for the above-identified patent application.

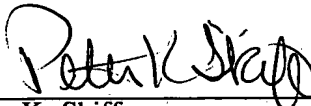
- ☒ [X] No additional fee for submission of an IDS is required.
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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

U.S. Patent No. 5,685,942 to Ishii, issued November 11, 1997;

U.S. Patent No. 5,746,875 to Maydan et al., issued May 5, 1998;

U.S. Patent No. 5,772,771 to Li et al., issued June 30, 1998; and

U.S. Patent No. 6,013,155 to McMillin et al., issued January 11, 2000.

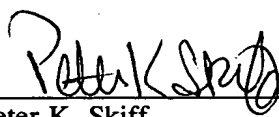
The Ishii, Li and McMillin patents were cited in the final Official Action dated February 24, 2003 but not listed on a PTO-892 form.

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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